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SUBJECT: WASHINGTON POST ARTICLE

1. ARTICLE IN WASHINGTON POST JUNE 19, DISCUSSES RECENT
EVENTS IN BURUNDI BASED ON DAR NEWS REPORTS AND USG
RESPONSE TO THEM. THE ARTICLE CITED FOLLOWING USG
INITIATIVES:

A. USG HAS CONTACTED AFRICAN LEADERS TO BRING PRESSURE
ON MICOMBERO TO HALT KILLINGS AND GUARANTEE CIVIL RIGHTS
OF HUTU (CITES ZAIRE AND TANZANIA).

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B. USG HAS CONTACTED OAU AND UN TO BRING PRESSURE TO AVOID
EVENTS SUCH AS TOOK PLACE IN BURUNDI LAST YEAR.

C. USG QUOTE IS PROPOSING THAT AN OAU MISSION BE SENT
TO BURUNDI AND STATIONED THERE UNTIL A PERMANENT SOLUTION
IF FOUND TO THE CONTINUING TUTSI- HUTU VIOLENCE UNQUOTE.

2. THESE COMMENTS WERE BASED ON CONVERSATIONS WITH AF
OFFICIALS CONCERNING PRESENT THINKING ON BURUNDI PROBLEM.
THE ITEMS ABOVE HOWEVER ARE CITED AS HAVING TAKEN PLACE.
COMMENTS BY BURUNDI AMB WILL BE FORWARDED SEPTEL. ROGERS

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